

## ABSTRACT

A video system comprises a network interface, memory, video interface, and processing system. The network interface receives a network signal from a communication network wherein the network signal includes video. The memory stores the video from the  
5 network signal. The video interface transfers a video signal to a video display wherein the video signal includes the video from the memory. The processing system determines when to initiate the transfer of the video signal from the video interface. This determination is based on: a video display rate, a network transfer rate, a first amount of the video in the memory, a second amount of the video to be subsequently received in the  
10 network signal, and a user selection. The network transfer rate is slower than the video display rate.